NEW YORK CIRCUIT COURT UNITED STATES.

No. 38.

THE UNITED STATES PLAINTIFFS

VERSUS

LAWRENCE COOMBS.

FILED 24TH NOVEMBER, 1837.

The President of the United States of America to all to whom these presents shall come, greeting:

Know ye, that we, having inspected the records and files of the circuit court of the United States of America for the southern district of New York, in the second circuit, do find a certain paper writing there remaining of record in the words and figures following, to wit:

At a stated term of the circuit court of the United States of America for the southern district of New York, in the second circuit, held at the City Hall in the city of New York, in and for the said district, on the fourteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six.

Present: The honorable Smith Thomson, one of the associate justices of the Supreme Court of the United States, and the honorable Samuel R. Betts, district judge.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA *vs.* LAWRENCE COOMBS.

Lawrence Coombs was indicted under the 9th section of the act entitled, "An act more effectually to provide for the punishment of certain crimes against the United States, and for other purposes, approved the 3d of March, 1825," for having, on the 21st of November, 1836, feloniously stolen at Rockaway Beach, in the southern district of New York, one trunk of the value of five dollars, one package of yarn of the value of five dollars, one package of silk of the value of five dollars, one roll of ribbons of the value of five dollars, one package of muslin of the value of five dollars, and six pairs of hose of the value of five dollars, which said goods, wares and merchandise, belonged to the ship Bristol, the said ship then being in distress and cast away on a shoal of the sea on the coast of the state of New York, within the southern district of New York. On this indictment the prisoner